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- 1. A CONTINUING REVIEW OF COLD TALE MISSION 3226 DATED 17
  MAY 1963 REVEALS THAT ITEM 2 UNDER LAOS, ROADS IN IPIR SHOULD READ:
- A. MENG-LA AND MUONG LUONG NAM THA ROAD THIS ROUTE IS NOT COVERED BY MISSION 3226.
- ROAD CONSTRUCTION THIS AREA IS COVERED BY GOOD QUALITY, CLOUD FREE PHOTOGRAPHY. NO ROAD OR ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED BETWEEN THESE TWO TOWNS. THE ONLY ROAD OBSERVED IS A SINGLE LANE PROBABLE ALL-WEATHER ROAD LEADING GENERALLY SOUTHWEST FROM DIEN BIEN PHU TO THE VICINITY OF HOUEI HOUN, LAOS (21-10N 102-49E). REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT WAS NOTED ALONG THIS ROUTE INCLUDING TWO NEW BY-PASSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN NORTH VIETNAM AT 21-17N 102-59E AND 21-17N 103-00E AND A BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT BAN PON LOT, NORTH VIETNAM (21-17N 103-00E). A CONVOY OF 17-18 TRUCKS WAS OBSERVED HEADING NORTHEAST TOWARD DIEN BIEN PHU AT 21-17N 102-53E.

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